

**ITEM No ...5.....**

**REPORT TO:** NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 4 JUNE 2018

**REPORT ON:** EXTERNAL WALL INSULATION – HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME FOR SCOTLAND – 2018/19 PROGRAMME

**REPORT BY:** EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

**REPORT NO:** 165 -2018

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To gain Committee approval for further external wall insulation projects as part of the 2018/19 Capital programme.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 It is recommended that approval be given for the projects below at:-

Development	No of Properties	HEEPS-ABS	ECO Funding	Council Contribution	SSE Discount	Total Cost	Completion Date
Polepark (with roofs)	72	£279,500	£28,243	£467,883	£27,654	£803,280	April 2019

**3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The Executive Director of Corporate Services has confirmed that a contribution of £467,883 is available in 2018/19 within the allowances for Energy Efficiency within the HRA Element of Building Strong Communities Section of the Capital Plan 2018-23. The allowance for Roof Replacement within this figure is £300,184.

**3.2 BACKGROUND**

3.3 This phase of the project comprises 72 properties of mixed tenure. There are 24 council tenants and 48 private properties. The client contribution for the 24 council tenanted properties for EWl will be required from the funding source above. The balance of funding will be met from SSE through the Energy Company Obligation (ECO) and Home Energy Efficiency Programme Scotland – Area Based Scheme (HEEPS - ABS) funding for 2018/19, together with a discount contribution from SSE. Further details are provided in the table at paragraph 2.1.

3.4 Resources are available to fund external insulation for Council owned properties within the current 5 year HRA Capital budget. The Council requires to maximise funding from the Home Energy Efficiency Programme for Scotland - Area Based Schemes (HEEPS: ABS) funding from the Scottish Government and Energy Company Obligation (ECO) funding from utility companies to ensure owner occupiers can be included in the programme and mixed tenure blocks comprehensively treated.

3.5 The Council has been successful in being awarded £1,401,341 HEEPS - ABS funding from the Scottish Government for 2018/19 so far, which will contribute to the on-going delivery of the EWl programme. The Contractors for these works have been procured by SSE who are project managing the programme on behalf of the Council.

**4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

**5 CONSULTATIONS**

- 5.1 The Council Management Team have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

**6 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 6.1 None.

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